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Mr. Scott A. Bakken Director, Permitting & Environmental Affairs **Energy Fuels** 225 Union Blvd., Suite 600 Lakewood, CO 80228

Dear Mr. Bakken:

Subject:

Site Review and Inspections of the Daneros Mine located in San Juan County, Utah

UPDES Permit Number UTR260661

I appreciated meeting you, Race Fisher, Mike Neumann, Andrea Reither and Todd Eldredge on April 05, 2016. Site was also visited for a follow-up inspection on July 19, 2016. The SWPPP was updated in November 2012 and was complete. The mine is currently not in production. Storm water controls are located throughout the facility including several detention ponds and berms to direct storm water on the property. Drainage ditches have also been installed to control storm water from coming in contact with raw product or industrial activities. See attached photos and inspection report. There were no deficiencies observed and no further action is required at this time.

If you have any questions concerning the report do not hesitate to contact me at (801) 536-4393. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mike George, Environmental Scientist

UPDES Storm Water Section

MG:nf

Enclosures(3):

1.3560 (DWQ-2016-012463)

2. Inspection report (DWQ-2016-012464)

3. Photo Log (DWQ-2016-012465)

cc: Rick Meyer, Environmental Health Director, San Juan County Public Health Dept., w/encl.

Mike Bradley, Environmental Scientist, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, w/encl.

Scott Hacking, DEQ District Engineer, w/encl.

DWQ-2016-012462



United States Environmental Protection Agency Washington, D.C. 20460

Water Compliance Inspection Report

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INSTRUCTIONS

Section A: National Data System Coding (i.e., ICIS)

Column 1: Transaction Code: Use N, C, or D for New, Change, or Delete. All inspections will be new unless there is an error in the data entered.

Columns 3-11: NPDES Permit No. Enter the facility's NPDES permit number - third character in permit number indicates permit type for U=unpermitted, G=general permit, etc. (Use the Remarks columns to record the State permit number, if necessary.)

Columns 12-17: Inspection Date. Insert the date entry was made into the facility. Use the year/month/day format (e.g., 04/10/01 = October 01, 2004).

Column 18: Inspection Type*. Use one of the codes listed below to describe the type of inspection:

Performance Audit Compliance Biomonitoring B

C Compliance Evaluation (non-sampling) D Diagnostic

F Pretreatment (Follow-up) G Pretreatment (Audit)

Industrial User (IU) Inspection

Complaints M Multimedia N Spill

0 Compliance Evaluation (Oversight) Pretreatment Compliance Inspection P

R Reconnaissance Compliance Sampling

IU Inspection with Pretreatment Audit U

Toxics Inspection

Z Sludge - Biosolids

Combined Sewer Overflow-Sampling \$ Combined Sewer Overflow-Non-Sampling

Sanitary Sewer Overflow-Sampling Sanitary Sewer Overflow-Non-Sampling &

CAFO-Sampling CAFO-Non-Sampling 2 **IU Sampling Inspection IU Non-Sampling Inspection** 4 **IU Toxics Inspection**

IU Sampling Inspection with 5

Pretreatment

IU Non-Sampling Inspection with Pretreatment

IU Toxics with Pretreatment

Pretreatment Compliance (Oversight)@ Follow-up (enforcement)

Storm Water-Construction-Sampling

Storm Water-Construction-Non-Sampling

Storm Water-Non-Construction-Sampling

Storm Water-Non-Construction-

Non-Sampling Storm Water-MS4-Sampling

Storm Water-MS4-Non-Sampling Storm Water-MS4-Audit

Column 19: Inspector Code. Use one of the codes listed below to describe the lead agency in the inspection.

Other Inspectors, Federal/EPA (Specify in Remarks columns) State (Contractor)

B-P-Other Inspectors, State (Specify in Remarks columns) EPA (Contractor)

R-**EPA Regional Inspector** E-Corps of Engineers Joint EPA/State Inspectors—EPA Lead State Inspector Joint State/EPA Inspectors—State lea

L-Local Health Department (State) N-**NEIC Inspectors**

Column 20: Facility Type. Use one of the codes below to describe the facility.

Municipal. Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) with 1987 Standard Industrial Code (SIC) 4952.

2-Industrial. Other than municipal, agricultural, and Federal facilities.

3-Agricultural. Facilities classified with 1987 SIC 0111 to 0971.

4-Federal. Facilities identified as Federal by the EPA Regional Office.

5-Oil & Gas. Facilities classified with 1987 SIC 1311 to 1389.

Columns 21-66: Remarks. These columns are reserved for remarks at the discretion of the Region.

Columns 67-69: Inspection Work Days. Estimate the total work effort (to the nearest 0.1 work day), up to 99.9 days, that were used to complete the inspection and submit a QA reviewed report of findings. This estimate includes the accumulative effort of all participating inspectors; any effort for laboratory analyses, testing, and remote sensing; and the billed payroll time for travel and pre and post inspection preparation. This estimate does not require detailed documentation.

Column 70: Facility Evaluation Rating. Use information gathered during the inspection (regardless of inspection type) to evaluate the quality of the facility self-monitoring program. Grade the program using a scale of 1 to 5 with a score of 5 being used for very reliable self-monitoring programs, 3 being satisfactory, and 1 being used for very unreliable programs.

Column 71: Biomonitoring Information. Enter D for static testing. Enter F for flow through testing. Enter N for no biomonitoring.

Column 72: Quality Assurance Data Inspection. Enter Q if the inspection was conducted as follow-up on quality assurance sample results. Enter N otherwise.

Columns 73-80: These columns are reserved for regionally defined information.

Section B: Facility Data

This section is self-explanatory except for "Other Facility Data," which may include new information not in the permit or PCS (e.g., new outfalls, names of receiving waters, new ownership, other updates to the record, SIC/NAICS Codes, Latitude/Longitude).

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection

Check only those areas evaluated by marking the appropriate box. Use Section D and additional sheets as necessary. Support the findings, as necessary, in a brief narrative report. Use the headings given on the report form (e.g., Permit, Records/Reports) when discussing the areas evaluated during the inspection.

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments

Briefly summarize the inspection findings. This summary should abstract the pertinent inspection findings, not replace the narrative report. Reference a list of attachments, such as completed checklists taken from the NPDES Compliance Inspection Manuals and pretreatment guidance documents, including effluent data when sampling has been done. Use extra sheets as necessary.

*Footnote: In addition to the inspection types listed above under column 18, a state may continue to use the following wet weather and CAFO inspection types until the state is brought into ICIS-NPDES: K: CAFO, V: SSO, Y: CSO, W: Storm Water 9: MS4. States may also use the new wet weather, CAFO and MS4 inspections types shown in column 18 of this form. The EPA regions are required to use the new wet weather, CAFO, and MS4 inspection types for inspections with an inspection date (DTIN) on or after July 1, 2005.

Background Information

National Database Information				
Inspection Type	<u>w</u>			
UPDES ID Number	UTR000829			
Inspection Date	04/06/16 and 07/19/16			
Inspector Type	EPA <u>State</u> EPA Oversight			

<u>General</u>				
Inspector Name	MIKE GEORGE			
Telephone	801-536-4393			
Entry Time	09:30 AM			
Exit Time	12:30 PM			

Facility Location Information				
Name/Location/ Mailing Address	ENERGY FUELS RESOURCES USA, INC. 225 UNOIN BLVD., SUITE 600 LAKEWOOD, CO 802228			
GPS Coordinates	Latitude	38 18 34.79	Longitude	109 14 5.03
Receiving Water(s) COLORADO RIVER				
MS4's	N/A			

Contact Information			
	Name	Telephone	
Owner/Permittee	ENERGY FUELS	303-389-4133	
Operator	DENISON MINES (USA)		
Co-Permittee	N/A		
Facility Contact & Title	MIKE NEUMANN MANAGER RACE FISHER MINE MANAGER	303-389-4174 435-686-9999	
Authorized Official(s)	PHILLIP BUCK	303-628-7798	

	Site Information:
Industrial Activity	URANIUM MINING
SIC Code(s)	1094

Basic Permit Inform	mation (circle	one)
Permit Coverage	Y	N
Permit Type	General	Individual
Copy of NOI on site?	Y	N
NOI Date	JUNE 19, 2012	

Basic SWPPP Information			
SWPPP on site	Y	N	
SWPPP Satisfactory*	Y	N	
SWPPP Implementation Satisfactory	Y	N	

*A Satisfactory SWPPP must be both current and complete (see pages 4, 5, and 6 of this checklist).

	General					
Industrial Activity	(describe principal product, production rate, potential pollutants, areas exposed to precipitation, direction of storm water flow)					
	UNDERGROUND URANIUM MINES					
	(describe age and size of facility, number of employees, hours of operation) LOCATED IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH					

SWPPP Implementation (complete in field)

	Storm Water Controls
List the structural and non-structural controls employed by the facility.	(provide a brief description of each) STRUCTURAL; EARTHEN DAMS, , DETENTION BASINS, AND BURMS THAT DIVERT STORM WATER TO SEVERAL DETENTION BASINS. NON: EMPLOYEE TRAINING, HOUSEKEEPING, INSPECTIONS INCLUDING ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATIONS, AND SPILL PREVENTION
Are the controls reasonable and installed correctly and maintained?	(indicate "yes" or "no", or if not appropriate, explain) YES

SWPPP Implementation (continued)

Storm Water Controls (continued)				
Provide a brief description of other controls that manage/prevent/ minimize storm	(e.g., erosion and sediment controls, exposure minimization, diversion structures, pollution prevention, inlet protection/control at storm drains) EARTHEN DAMS AND BERMS ARE USED FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT			
water runoff.	CONTROL. SEVERAL DETENTION BASINS WERE OBSEVED.			

	<u>Miscellaneous</u>		
Any evidence of discharge to receiving waters? (e.g., storm water runoff, dry weather discharge, co-mingling of process waste			
	NO		
Do the storm water outfalls on site	(indicate "yes" or "no", or if not appropriate, explain)		
correspond with those listed on the site map and in SWPPP?	ALL STORM WATER IS MANAGED WITH DIVERSION DITCHES AND CAN HANDLE 100 YEAR, 24 HOUR STORMS.		

SWPPP Review (can be completed in office)

<u>General</u>			Notes:	
Is a copy of the SWPPP on site?	Y	N	SWPPP WAS UPDATED IN 2012	
Did all "operators" and co-permittees sign the SWPPP?	Y	N		
Did the signatures include the certification statement?	Y	N		

Were the signatories authorized to sign?	Y	N	
Is an individual/team responsible for developing/implementing SWPPP identified (e.g., pollution prevention team)?	Y	Z	POLLUTION PREVENTION TEAM IS LISTED ON PAGE 2 OF THE SWPPP.
Are employee training records regarding storm water pollution prevention topics included in SWPPP?	Y	N	CONDUCTED AT LEAST ANNUALLY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES

Site Map		Notes:		
Is there a site map?	Y	N		
Drainage patterns/ outfalls?	Y	N		
Identification of types of pollutants?	Y	N		
Location of major structural controls used to reduce pollutants in runoff?	<u>Y</u>	N		
Name of receiving water(s) or MS4's listed?	Y	N	COLORADO RIVER	
Is receiving water a tributary to waters of the U.S. (if "yes" indicate name of tributary)?	Y	N		
Location of significant materials exposed to storm water?	Y	N	MINE IS INACTIVE AND NO MATERIALS WERE EXPOSED TO STORM WATER	
Locations of major spills occurring within 3 years from date of NOI?	Y	N	NO SPILLS WERE LISTED ON THE SITE MAP	
Location of fueling, maintenance, loading and unloading, material storage, waste disposal?	Y	N		

SWPPP Review (continued)

Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources			Notes:			
Description of activities, materials, features of site with potential to contribute significant amounts of pollutants to storm water?	Y	N				

Significant Spills & Leaks			Notes:		
List of significant spills and leaks over 3 year time period, description of response taken, and actions to prevent similar spills in the future?	Y		FACILITY DID NOT REPORT ANY SIGNNIFICANT SPILLS OR LEAKS OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS. FACILITY DOES HAVE AN SPCC PLAN		

Storm Water Controls	ar en	Notes:	
Does the SWPPP describe the non- structural controls and structural controls that will be used to prevent/reduce discharge of pollutants in storm water runoff?	Y	N	GOOD HOUSEKEEPING, WASTE DISPOSAL, INSPECTIONS, EMPLOYEE TRAINING, PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE, INSPECTIONS AND INVENTORY OF EXPOSED MATERIALS
Does the SWPPP describe other controls that will be used to prevent/reduce off-site tracking or blowing of sediment, dust and raw, final or waste materials, or other solid materials and floating debris?	Y	N	WATER IS APPLIED TO DIRT ROAD SURFACES AS NEEDED
Does the SWPPP incorporate the 8 baseline controls (good housekeeping, minimizing exposure, PM, spill prevention/response procedures, routine inspections and comprehensive site evaluations, employee training, sediment and erosion control, runoff management)?	Y	Z	
Does the SWPPP contain completed routine inspection reports/logs regarding reportable implementation of 8 baseline controls?	Y	N	INSPECTIONS ARE PERFORMED AT LEAST QUARTERLY.
Does the SWPPP describe the pollutant or activity to be controlled by each selected control and provide an implementation schedule?	Y	N	POTENTIAL POLLUTANT SOURCES ARE CONTAINED FROM THE MINE AREA AND COLLECTED IN DETENTION AND RETENTION PONDS.

SWPPP Review (continued)

Non-Storm Water Discharges			Notes:	
Certification that facility has been tested for non-storm water discharges from the site?	Y	N	EVALUATED IN 2012	
Description of testing method, drainage points, observed results, and date of test?	Y	N	VISUAL TEST	

Monitoring			Notes:
Are samples collected within 30 minutes of measurable weather events occurring 72 hours after previous measurable weather event?	Y	N	

	Photograph Log	
1.	WAHED OUT CULVERTS	
2.	FLOOD DRAINAGE AREA	
3.	WASTE ROCK	
4.	WASTE ROCK	
5.	FLOOD AREA	
6.	NEW CULVERT	
7.	NEW ROAD AFTER FLOOD	
8.	MINE NEAR PORTAL	
9.	SAME AS #8	
10	SAME AS #8	
11.	NEW GRADING WORK	
12.	DIVERSION BERM	
13.	FLOOD AREA	
14.	EROSION WIRE	
15.	GRADING WORK	
16.	GRADING WORK	
17.	CULVERT INSTALLATION	
18.	SAME AS #17	
19.	STORM WATER DIVERSION	
20.	`BERM	
21.	WASTE ROCK AREA	
22.	SAME AS #21	
23.	WASTE ROCK PILE	
24.	STORM WATER DIVERSION	
25.	NEW ROAD	
26.	SOUTH PORTAL	

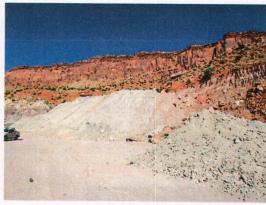
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1. Washed out culverts



2. Flood drainage area



3. Waste rock



4. Waste rock



5. Flood area



6. New culvert



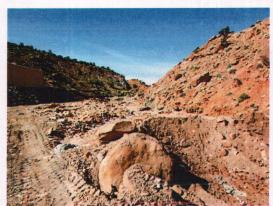
7. New road after flood



8. Mine near portal



9. Same as #8



10. Same as #8



11. New grading work



12. Diversion Berm



13. Flood area



14. Erosion wire



15. Grading work



16. Grading work



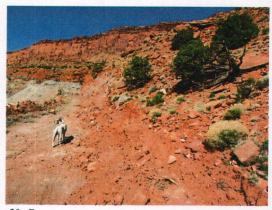
17. Culvert installation



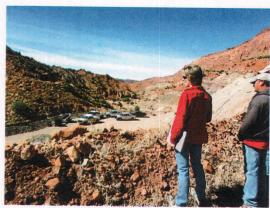
18. Same as #17



19. Storm water diversion



20. Berm



21. Waste rock area



22. Same as #21



23. Waste rock pile



25. New road



24. Storm water diversion



26. South portal